

Public Service Commission of Wisconsin

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To: Competitive Local Exchange Carriers (ATU-Others), Local Resellers (ATU-Resellers),

CATV Providers

Re: 2001 and 2002 Competitive Activity Data Request – Response Required

Data Request Responses Due: Address Data Request Responses To:

Friday, September 20, 2002 -- Noon Duane Wilson

Fax Filings Due:

Thursday, September 19, 2002 -- Noon

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Enclosed for your response are two data requests relative to local telecommunications service activity in the state of Wisconsin. The 2001 Competitive Activity Data Request asks for information on the amount of competitive activity provided by alternative telecommunication providers as of December 31, 2001. The 2002 Competitive Activity Data Request asks for the same information as of June 30, 2002. These data requests update a previous request, Data Request C, which was issued in August of 2001, for data as of December 31, 2000.

The Public Service Commission (Commission) established a Competitive Study Committee to gather data and report on the extent of local competition the telecommunications industry in Wisconsin. The committee anticipates that periodic updates of data on local competition will be required.

The 2002 Competitive Activity Data Request is needed to provide timely information for current dockets before the Commission. These include docket 6720-TI-170, Ameritech's application for § 271 authority to provide in-region interLATA toll; and docket 6720-TI-173, Ameritech's petition to suspend Wis. Stats §196.196(1) for small business customers. This petition would eliminate price caps on the local rates for Ameritech's business customers with fewer than three lines. The data will also be used to evaluate proposals for reduced regulation by other incumbent telephone companies in the state. In addition, the broadband section of the data request may be used by the legislature to consider proposals for incentives to promote investment in broadband and to encourage greater broadband subscription and usage.

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The information requested is exchange- or location-specific, so please copy the data request pages to the extent necessary or use the PSC-provided electronic response form referenced below. Where local services referenced in the data request are provided by affiliated entities, we request that this be noted in your response and that copies of the data requests be forwarded on to the affiliated local service provider. If there are any questions about the Data Requests, please contact Duane Wilson at 608-266-5423, or e-mail to Duane.Wilson@psc.state.wi.us.

You may file your responses to these requests in one of two ways: 1) complete and return the enclosed form, making copies as necessary, or 2) compile and file the answers to the questions electronically. Electronic filing is preferred. For an electronic filing, an Excel copy of the data request response forms can be accessed in the *Telecommunications* section of the PSC home page, located at *psc.wi.gov*. A copy of the data request questions is also available on the web page.

Sincerely,

David Albino Administrator Telecommunications Division

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Enclosures: Data Requests

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